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1. Pardubice airfield is located between the town of Pardubice and the village of Popkovice (051/M78), south of the highway leading from Pardubice to Prelouc (051/M58).¹ There are what appear to be two runways on the airfield, each about 2,000 meters long.

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2. [REDACTED] observations [REDACTED]

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- a. The space between the two runways was green, presumably grass.
- b. At a considerable distance, stated to be 1,500 meters, from both ends of each runway there were four radar stations, two of them on the northeastern side and two on the southwestern side of the airfield (not shown on the sketch).² They were small buildings which had, on top of them, black, curved metal plates which turned around. These formed an approximate square around the runways.

- c. There were two or three large gasoline containers located at the place on the sketch marked "bunkers" (Pt. # 6 of the sketch). [REDACTED] lively vehicular traffic, including gasoline trucks [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] the bunkers were the actual gasoline containers.)

- d. [REDACTED] approximately 15 jet fighters with swept-back (V-shape) wings, either flying over the airfield or taking off and landing. The planes were not in formation but flew separately.

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1. Comment. Previous reports differ considerably from each other as to the exact location and dimensions of the airfield. It is stated for the first time in this report that this airfield extends to the east beyond the railroad line Hradec Kralove (051/G71) - Chrudim (050/M78). [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] the railroad line runs south nearly parallel with the Pardubice-Chrudim highway. The same railroad line, as drawn

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on the sketch, runs in a southwestern direction along the northern perimeter of the airfield. This difference can be explained by the assumption that (a) only sidings leading from the main line track to the airfield and considered to be the railroad line to Chrudim, or (b) the main line track which had been shifted to the location indicated. In a previous report

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it was mentioned that it was planned to move the Hradec Kralove-Chrudim railroad line because of the construction of the Pardubice airfield.

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2. Comment. The distance of these installations from the runways does not appear to be accurate as it would mean that the two radar stations on the eastern side of the airfield would be situated on the outskirts of Pardubice.

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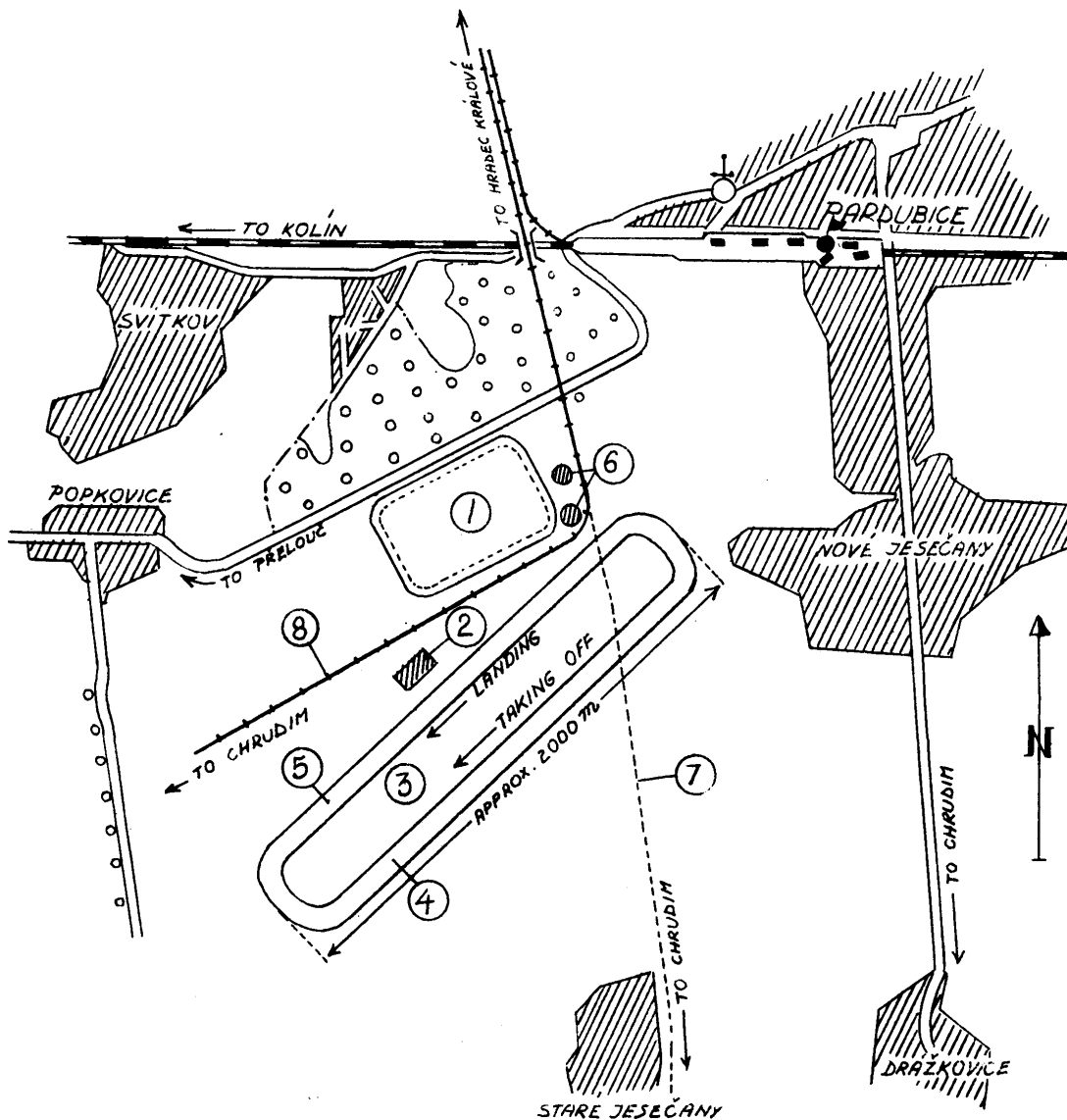
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ENCLOSURE # 1.

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sketch of the Pardubice Airfield.

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Legend:

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| 1. Race track | 7. Railroad line Hradec Kralove - Chrudim, as indicated on maps. |
| 2. Hangars | 8. Railroad line Hradec Kralove - Chrudim |
| 3. Pardubice airfield | |
| 4-5. Runways | |
| 6. Bunkers | |

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